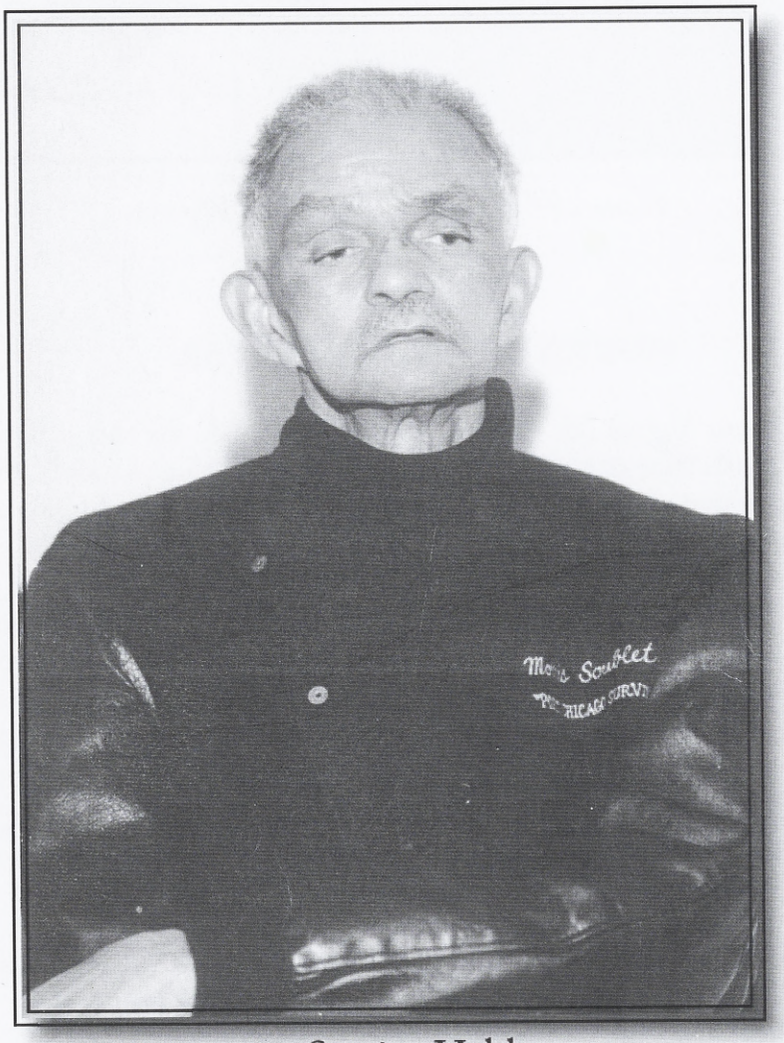
Celebration Of Life
For
MORRIS JOSEPH SOUBLET, SR.

Sunrise
August 26, 1920

Sunset
May 11, 2004



Service Held
Tuesday, May 18, 2004 - 11:00 A.M.
at
ST. ANDREWS-ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH
925 Brockhurst Street
Oakland, California 94609
Celebrant
Father John Maxwell

Morris & Ursula - Together Again

OBITUARY

MORRIS JOSEPH SOUBLET SR.

Morris entered into this life on August 26, 1920 in New Orleans, LA, the son of Pearl Farve and Thomas Soublet, Sr. He married Ursula Margaret Scott on September 1, 1943 and moved to Oakland, CA as he was in the U.S. Navy and assigned duty at Port Chicago in Concord, CA. Morris was a survivor of the July 17, 1944 explosion that destroyed much of the base.

Morris departed this life after a diligent fight against cancer. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 59 years, Ursula, and a son, Keith. Morris and Ursula raised ten children. He is survived by his nine remaining children and their spouses including Morris Jr. and Josephine Soublet, Anastacia Dotson, Richard and Kathleen Soublet, Prudence and David Killingsworth, Margaret Soublet, Bruce Soublet and Sylvia Myles, Leontine Soublet, Brian Soublet and Dakota Neal and Byron and Diana Soublet. Morris is also survived by his sister Daisy Hamilton of Long Beach, CA and leaves a host of grandchildren, two great grandchildren, relatives and friends. He was affectionately known as "Papa" by his grandchildren, nieces and nephews as well as other family friends.

Morris devoted his life to his family and church. After completing his military obligation, he worked for the U.S. Navy at its supply depots in Oakland and Alameda. He was actively involved in Several Christian organizations during his life including the Holy Names Society, Christian Family Movement (CFM), Knights of St. Peter Claver and the Cursillo Movement. He was instrumental in helping relocate St Andrew Catholic Church from its original site at 36th and Adeline Streets in 1958 to its current site. He served as a member of the Parish Council and served as its president for a period of time. Morris, along with Ursula, were founding members of the West Oakland Planning Council, an organization dedicated to promoting equal opportunity in housing and education in West Oakland. He was also active in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 62. Morris was ordained to the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Oakland in 1978 and served 25 years retiring in 2002. After his retirement from Naval Supply Center in the early 1980's, he worked part-time for Fouche Hudson Funeral Home. The majority of his time was spent in service to St. Andrew-St. Joseph Church managing a food distribution for the needy and assisting in the set up of the Soup Kitchen. He served as Deacon at various parishes in the Diocese and was affectionately known as the "Pope of Oakland" by his family.

ENTRANCE RITE

Processional ..... How Great Thou Art

Opening Prayer ..... Father John Maxwell

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading - The Book Of Wisdom - 3:1 - 9 ..... Morris J. Soublet, Jr.

Responsorial Hymn ..... Be Not Afraid

Second Reading - Revelation - 7:9. 14 -17 ..... Robert Snowden

Alleluia ..... Sung by the Congregation

Gospel Reading - John - 6:37 - 40 ..... Deacon Eugene Stelly

Homily ..... Fattier John Maxwell
And Con-Celebrants

Prayers and Petitions ..... Family Members

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn ..... Precious Lord

Presentation of the Gifts ..... Family Members

Holy, Holy ..... Sung by the Congregation
The Lord's Prayer ..... Sung by the Congregation
Lamb of God ..... Sung by the Congregation

Communion Song ..... I Am The Bread of Life

Mediation ..... His Eye Is on the Sparrow

Soloist ..... Cathryn Rankin

Remarks ..... Family Members

Announcements ..... Monica Soublet

Final Commendation ..... Father John Maxwell

Recessional ..... This Little Light of Mine

INTERMENT

Holy Sepulchre Cemetery
Hayward, California

The Soublet Family invites you to return to St. Patrick's Parish Hall located at 1630 Tenth Street, Oakland, California, to share memories of Poppa and also to share in a light repast.

CELEBRANT

Father John Maxwell

PALL BEARERS

Anthony Childes
Robert Snowden
Richard Soublet, 11
Vincent Killingsworth
Gerald Dotson
Brandon Soublet

HONORARY PALL BEARERS

Members of the Deaconate Community

PIANIST

La Nell Martin

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Soublet Family wishes to take this opportunity to thank each and every person who has offered their sympathies during our difficult time. Your cards, calls, plants, items of physical nourishment and personal messages of encouragement are greatly appreciated. We will continue to pray that your lives will be filled with the grace of God and that He will bless you always,

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